

October 5, 2001

## **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

Tom Reber, Associate Director

Recreational Sports

**SUBJECT:** 

Lightning Prediction System

On October 4, 2001, I met with Dr. Floyd, Mr. Tom Brymer, College Station City Manager, and Mr. Ralph Staplin, College Station Emergency Management Coordinator concerning the lightning prediction system proposed by the Department of Recreational Sports. Mr. Brymer generally expressed support for the proposal and was even interested in possibly adding one additional remote alarm location at North Gate.

I am prepared to recommend that the Department of Recreational Sports be authorized to proceed with the purchase and installation of the Thor Guard Lightning Prediction System as proposed, subject to the following conditions:

- 1. The Department of Recreational Sports agrees to maintain and test the system on a regular schedule. The schedule for testing must be approved by the Environmental Health and Safety Department (EHSD). Copies of maintenance and testing documentation must be provided to EHSD.
- 2. The Lightning Prediction System's alarms will not be used or sounded for any purposes other than ingriting prediction (design purposes) or scheduled system testing/maintenance without the consent of EHSD and/or UPD.
- 3. Training the campus population will be the joint responsibility of the Department of Recreational Sports and EHSD. Training will also be coordinated with the College Station Emergency Management Coordinator to ensure that affected community residents will also receive appropriate information.
- 4. The cost of the system, including all remote alarms (quantity 11), will be born by the Department of Recreational Sports.
- 5. The Department of Recreational Sports agrees to notify a designated contact provided by the City of College Station in the event of an alarm annunciation.
- 6. The hours of operation of the system will be approved by EHSD.

Upon receiving written acceptance of these conditions, EHSD will recommend that the Purchasing Department proceed with the purchase.

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